



THURSDAY EVENING, JAN. 11, 1906

GOVERNOR MONTAGUE sent his last message to the legislature yesterday. The Governor's inaugural address four years ago attracted attention from the fact that it was comparatively brief and minus useless verbiage, abounding only in practical observations, such as should be made by a man about to occupy the gubernatorial chair. His last message is on the same lines, and his recommendations are such as would naturally emanate from an able man, a close observer and one who has made good use of his experience. Among other things he urges purity in elections; argues for compulsory education; recommends an increase of \$200,000 for the public schools; shows the necessity for better public roads and says the State should aid the counties in road making; advocates the fitting up of a hall of fame and calls attention to certain needs in connection with insane institutions. He recommends what he considered to be needed appropriations for various purposes, but he advises against extravagance and protests against any reduction in the present low rate. He opposes corruption in politics and favors a law against corporation contributions to campaign funds; he also advises against any person paying another's poll tax and urges the passage of a law permanently disfranchising the man who sells his vote. The Governor concludes as follows:

Great opportunities are fast coming to Virginia and we must grasp them with the spirit of enterprise and progress. The demands of the hour cannot be met by past traditions nor by past misfortunes; but we should surround these things as the energizing call for the renewal of our most patriotic efforts to place our beloved Commonwealth in the forefront of the extraordinary economic, intellectual and moral forces now at play in the world.

Governor Montague retires from the gubernatorial chair with the satisfaction of knowing that he has faithfully performed the duties of the high office and that his course has been approved by the people of the Old Dominion. He will always be remembered as one of the ablest of Virginia's executives.

BECAUSE he failed to obtain from the President the appointment of his own man as internal revenue collector at Indianapolis, Representative Overstreet, secretary of the republican campaign committee, has announced he will retire from that committee and give no further aid to the success of the republican party throughout the country. Representative Rabcock, chairman of the committee, has also announced that he will withdraw. He, too, is dissatisfied with the President's methods of dispensing federal patronage. Senators Dick and Foraker and Mr. Grosvenor, of Ohio, are in open revolt because the President has decided not to reappoint an Ohio man as Consul at Glasgow, and has named a man from Tennessee. Other Congressmen are equally indignant, but are waiting to see what happens to Messrs. Overstreet, Dick, Foraker and others before they declare a general insurrection against the President. In his method of making federal appointments the President is making many enemies in House and Senate, and there are open grumblings from those Congressmen who consider federal patronage a political asset, and a merry war is predicted.

THE opposition to the enforcement of the vaccination law has reached the climax at the Spruce Run School, in Madison township, Pa., where "White Caps" have warned the teacher, Miss Mary Dye, that further observance upon her part of the law requiring that the school children be vaccinated would not be tolerated and would be dangerous to her. Upon her arrival at the school Monday Miss Dye found the warning, bearing the usual skull and cross-bones, nailed to the door. The teacher says she is not alarmed by the warning, and will keep the school open and enforce the law. Interesting developments are expected.

OVER 100 midshipmen have written to Congressmen asking for a "square deal" and objecting to a few first class men being made "goats." "Give us the opportunity to give our word and there will be no more hazing," said one midshipman. But this promise has been made many a time before, only to be broken, and it is now time that a fulfillment of that promise should be required of the cadets by those higher up.

From Washington.

[Correspondence of the Alexandria Gazette.] Washington, Jan. 11.

President Roosevelt is now a full fledged Red Man. He was initiated into the order at the White House office building this morning. Grand Inchoonee J. W. Cherry, of Norfolk; Grand Inchoonee K. T. Daniel, of Griffith, Ga., and Great Chief of Records Wilson Brooks, of Chicago, officiating in the various branches of the initiation. Senator Kittredge, of South Dakota, who is an ardent member of the order, acted as master of ceremonies, and among those present, all of them members by the way, were Senator Dryden, of New Jersey; Representatives Lonsdale, of New Jersey; Sterling, of Illinois; Rob-

ert, of Massachusetts; Redman, of Illinois; Livingston, Bell and Bartlett, of Georgia. The order never before initiated an honorary member, and the President receives the distinction for his achievements as a patriotic American. Judge Daniel, Past Grand Inchoonee, made the principal speech at the exercises, and President Roosevelt replied with a happy little three minutes talk. The Red Men left a beautifully engraved set of resolutions extolling the President for his peace negotiations, which were passed at the last annual meeting of the order held last September at Nashville.

The Interstate and foreign commerce committee of the House will meet tomorrow to take up the railroad rate question. The republicans of the committee have come to an understanding to support the Hepburn bill, which is to substitute the bill introduced by Senator Doolittle in the upper house.

The formal investigation of the management of the Panama canal and Panama Railway Company, and of the canal zone government, as directed by the Senate, was begun this morning at 11 o'clock by the Senate committee on oceanic canals. Secretary of War Taft met with the committee and behind closed doors he furnished names of officials and employees who are in a position to furnish complete and positive information. It was decided that the hearings, which will begin Tuesday, will be public. Chief Engineer Stevens will be the first witness.

President Roosevelt today told Congressman Lamb, of Virginia, and a number of southern men who are property owners in Santo Domingo, that the quickest and surest way to put a stop to the revolutions down there is to persuade the southern Senators to vote for the treaty now pending before the upper branch of Congress.

Secretary Taft today received from Brussels a dispatch from Major General George W. Davis, chairman of the board of canal engineers of the Isthmian Canal Commission, stating that he had obtained the signatures of all the foreign engineers to the majority report of the board. He says that there have been many verbal charges made in the majority report that he has mailed Secretary Taft a corrected copy. He suggests a deferment of publication of the report until the revised copy is received. General Davis will sail for the United States on January 20.

It was stated at the New Willard Hotel this morning that Mrs. Minor Morris, the woman who was forcibly ejected from the White House, remains in a dangerous condition. At times she lapses into a comatose state.

Loss of an Oyster Pungy.

The oyster puny James E. Stansbury, owned and commanded by Capt. John Marshall, and loaded with 900 bushels of oysters, carried away both mast, went ashore and was wrecked on the north side of Cedar Point, St. Marys county, Md., Monday night. The accident happened about 8 p. m., during a fierce northerly gale. After the mast had gone by the board Captain Marshall attempted to anchor his dismantled vessel, but the anchor fouled with the jib and jibsheet and could not be cleared. Dredges were then thrown overboard to hold the vessel's head to the sea, but they proved insufficient. She slowly dragged back and about 10 p. m. struck bottom to the windward of Cedar Point and soon filled with water. Captain Marshall and his crew of 11 men then attempted to reach shore, which was only a short distance to leeward, in their yawl boat. The overloaded boat filled with water and it was only by a miracle that they escaped drowning, but luckily the heavy surf threw them up on the beach in an exhausted and half-frozen condition. They eventually made their way to the lighthouse, a few hundred yards away, where they were cared for by the night by the keeper. The experience of the shipwrecked crew in the fierce and freezing gale in their desperate efforts to save their vessel, and finally to save their lives, was thrilling, and one they will likely remember. The vessel will likely be a total loss. The cargo may be saved.

Patterson's Story.

The young Henrico farmer, William W. Patterson, charged with attempted criminal assault on his 13-year-old sweetheart, Miss Cora Crittenden, went on the stand yesterday in his own behalf, and his testimony was quite as sensational as that of the girl yesterday. He declared that he regarded her as a gentle woman and a lady; that he was in love with her and would have done anything he could for her; that they had quarreled many times, and that they quarreled the morning of the alleged crime, and that the girl threatened to "fix" him, even if she had to poison him. The girl testified that Patterson had been in the woods with another girl, but not with her. The young man became so confused under cross-questioning yesterday that he could not tell his age. He refused to answer when asked if he had not made the statement that for three years he had been on terms of improper intimacy with Miss Crittenden. "I say that I will not answer that question," replied the witness. "I would not answer it though my refusal should damage my cause."

New Head of Staunton Asylum.

The General Hospital Board of the State, composed of the directors of the different State hospitals for the insane, met yesterday at the Central State Hospital, near Petersburg, and elected Dr. William F. Drewry superintendent of the Western State Hospital, at Staunton, an office made vacant by the recent death of Dr. Benjamin Blackford. The office came to Dr. Drewry entirely unsought, and he asked for time to consider the matter.

The board indorsed a paper presented by Col. L. W. Lane, jr., State commissioner of hospitals, urging the legislature to appropriate \$100,000 for establishing a State colony for white epileptics who are sane.

COURT OF APPEALS.

Proceedings of the Court of Appeals yesterday: Robinson vs. Commonwealth; fully argued and submitted.

Harding vs. Commonwealth; argued and submitted.

Next cases to be called: Norfolk and Western Railway Company vs. Tidewater Railway Company, being No. 1 on the Corporation Commission docket, and Bellefont vs. Laube's executor, No. 21 on argument docket.

News of the Day.

The Senate yesterday shelved the Morocco question and discussed the pure food and ship subsidy bills.

The Senate yesterday passed a bill to appropriate \$200,000 for making graves of Confederates who died in northern prisons.

The House committee has decided to report favorably the bill providing for a survey of routes for a ship canal to join the Chesapeake bay and the Delaware river.

Mrs. Julia H. Simpson yesterday told a graphic story of the shooting of her father, Bartley T. Horner, by her husband, Dr. James H. Simpson at Northport, L. I.

Secretary Taft has written a letter to President Roosevelt declaring Poultny Bigelow's charges against the Panama canal management to be untruthful and malicious throughout.

Judge Gildersleeve, of the Supreme Court of New York, has directed H. H. Rogers, of the Standard Oil Company, to show cause by Monday why he does not answer questions of the Missouri investigators.

Representative Overstreet, of Indiana, secretary of the republican congressional campaign committee, announced yesterday that, because of the President's failure to allow him to name the surveyor of the port of Indianapolis, he will not again serve on the committee.

On tomorrow the Infanta Maria Theresa, the only surviving sister of King Alfonso XIII, is to be married at Madrid to Prince Ferdinand of Bavaria, who has divested himself of his German citizenship and secured letters of naturalization as a Spaniard.

The Maryland legislature yesterday re-elected Mr. Murray Vandiver as State Treasurer for his fourth term. He received two, and probably four, republican votes. Mr. A. P. Gorman, jr., was appointed chairman of the Senate finance committee, thus making him the democratic floor leader in that body.

Fire which broke out at 5:23 yesterday morning at the old Waverly car barn of the United Railways Company, on the York road near Baltimore, laid in ruins the big structure and completely destroyed sixty cars and damaged between twenty and thirty others to a great extent. The loss is estimated at \$100,000.

The public ownership commission of the National Civic Federation met in New York yesterday and made final arrangements for the investigation which it will undertake in this country and in Europe as to the comparative merits of public and private ownership of water supply, electric and gas lighting, and street railways. Among the plants to be investigated are those of Richmond and Danville, Va.

Washington B. Williams died suddenly of heart disease at his home in Washington last night. He was with his family in the sitting room after supper when he expired. Mr. Williams was born in Montgomery county, Maryland, in 1832. He went to Washington when a boy, and in 1855 engaged in the furniture business at Seventh and D streets. Until his retirement in 1892, he conducted a large business, being one of the prominent merchants of the city.

A man who either left or jumped from a Bay line steamer between Norfolk and Baltimore, some time Tuesday night, is believed to be John F. McCormick, a real estate broker and contractor of Washington. McCormick has been mysteriously missing since Sunday from the Stratford Hotel where he lived with his family. The man thought to be McCormick answers his description, and papers and letters were found among his effects in his stateroom on the boat, which bore his name and address.

Virginia News.

Mrs. Hector C. Peacock, of Wheatland, Loudoun county, died Monday morning, aged about forty-five years.

David Hungerford Griffith, of Westmoreland, and Miss Rosa Fielding Taylor, daughter of Mrs. Delia Taylor, formerly of Fredericksburg, now of Charlottesville, were married yesterday at the home of her uncle, John G. Williams, at Orange.

The corporation commission yesterday granted a charter to the Fittzburgh Lee Monument Association. The purpose of the association is to be the erection and preservation in the city of Richmond of an equestrian statue of Gen. Fitz Lee.

Unknown persons Tuesday night dynamited the houses of Lewis McDavie and John Tipton, eight miles from Gate City. The roof of McDavie's house was blown off and the walls badly shattered. The family was asleep and every member was severely shocked, but none was seriously hurt. Neither McDavie nor Tipton is known to have any enemies.

At a lively meeting of the Richmond City Common Council Tuesday night an attempt to increase Mayor Joel H. Cuthbert's salary \$25 per month was defeated. The salaries of the commonwealth's attorney, city physician and several clerks in the employ of the city were increased, but the Mayor did not have enough friends to secure him a raise.

The board of trustees of Richmond College yesterday unanimously elected Gov. A. J. Montague professor of constitutional and international law. The governor will accept the appointment, his engagement to begin immediately after his retirement from the gubernatorial office. The governor will begin a course of lectures before the class next month.

The federal patronage board for the Seventh district at Harrisonburg yesterday announced its recommendations to the President after an all night session. The report indorses Bentley Kern for a second term at Winchester over G. W. Ramsburg; J. H. Davis for a third term at Woodstock, over D. B. Logan, and C. L. Pritchard, a new man, at Front Royal over Rev. H. W. Kinzer, the incumbent, and C. B. Silman. The fight will be carried to the White House.

On Tuesday night the five-year-old son of Eva Robinson, residing in Petersburg, was burned to death during the absence of his mother, who had gone to her work leaving the child at home in charge of its grandmother. The latter left the house for a short time, leaving the little one alone, and while he was away the child's clothing caught fire from an open grate, and when the grandmother returned he found the child's body on the floor burned almost to a crisp.

MONTAGUE'S MESSAGE.

Gov. Montague, in his annual message to the legislature, delivered in person yesterday, advocated a reorganization of the State's treasury department, the creation of a State board of charities, laws to prevent the excessive use of money in elections, better safeguards for primary elections, compulsory school attendance, and the State-aid plan for road improvement. He said, in part:

"I renew my former recommendation respecting the creation of a board of charities and corrections. Such a board would be of little expense and of great service. Many of the States, as well as the national government, have these boards, and in every instance efficiency of service has resulted from their co-operation and critical supervision.

"The condition of our revenues is growing more satisfactory under the reforms instituted by the new constitution. At the close of the fiscal year we had a balance of \$666,432. We expect our revenues to increase from year to year; yet, with these figures, estimated by the first auditor, it is evident that we have no large sum for extraordinary appropriations, and that the utmost economy and discrimination should be practiced, for sound financing demands that we look alone to our annual income rather than to a treasury balance which may not repeat itself.

"Therefore, with the great need of money for education, for roads, and for eleemosynary institutions, it is idle to think of a reduction of our already low rate of taxation, for we shall need for some years to come all the revenues we have, and more besides, to meet the growth and progressive necessities of our people.

"My former recommendations respecting the reorganization of the treasury department are renewed. The first auditor should settle, collect, and deposit all moneys coming to the State, but he should be wholly unauthorized to issue his warrant upon the treasurer for any sum whatever. The latter duty should be performed by the second auditor, who should make no collections or deposits, and his warrants alone should be recognized by the treasurer. Such a re-arrangement, if properly safeguarded by the entries of moneys received or paid out in these three offices could be identified with accuracy and ease, would result in the best possible protection of the funds of the treasury. The concurrent and complimentary accounts of the three officials would thus reveal any mistake which could be disclosed by the most efficient business methods. Nor should this re-arrangement entail additional cost, for the number of men required to conduct the entire treasury department would be no greater than now.

"Comprehensive civil service regulations authorized by statute and applicable in the appointment and retention of all clerks in the offices of the treasury department would be a beneficial achievement. The conduct of this business should be analogous to that of a safe and sound banking institutions. A system of civil service should also be extended to all employees of the penitentiary and insane hospitals, other than their respective superintendents and assistants, and to the police, janitors, conductors of elevators, and machinists employed at the seat of government.

"The selection of these officials, as well as their tenure of office, should be determined wholly by efficiency and character, and removed entirely from the suspicion of political considerations.

"The excessive use of money in elections should excite the alarm of all patriots, and I would, therefore, urge legislation not only prohibitory of all campaign contributions by corporations, but of the right of doing business by any corporation which makes any contribution, directly or indirectly, in or without the State, for the purpose of influencing any election in this State, primary or regular."

The Legislature.

Remarkable scenes were enacted in the new State Capitol yesterday at the time of the assembling of the Virginia legislature.

In the Senate chamber carpenters hurriedly grabbed up tools, lumber and saws from the much-bested floor, carpet-liners rose from their knees and gathered up odds and ends of the carpet. In the meantime the hall was filled with members, standing in groups, while janitors cleaned away sawdust. Then the stentorian voice of the sergeant at arms called loudly, "Bring on those chairs," and a dozen janitors rushed the seats into the room, placed them in a sweeping circle before the president's platform, and the Virginia Senate was called to order.

A scene of a similar kind was enacted in the House, though with less disorder. There were no desks for either house.

Several carloads of handsome desks left Milwaukee December 31, and they are lost somewhere. Temporary desks or tables will be provided.

These conditions brought no confusion, and in House and Senate the pre-arranged order of the day was carried out without a hitch.

Lieutenant Governor Willard having resigned to become a member of the Corporation Commission and Lieutenant Governor-elect Ellyson not commencing his term until February 1, Clerk Joseph Button called the Senate to order. The Senators were sworn by him and Senator Henry F. Wekham was elected president pro tem. Senator Noel, representing the minority party, said that having full confidence in the fairness of the candidate, the republicans would make no nomination. The election of the other caucus nominees followed.

The rules of the last session were adopted. A remarkable thing occurred when the clerk of the House, John W. Williams, called that body to order. Every man of the 100 members answered the roll-call. So complete an attendance cannot be recalled by the oldest attaché of the legislature.

W. D. Cardwell was elected speaker without a dissenting voice. The caucus nominations were quickly confirmed.

The feature of the day was the reading in the joint assembly of the Governor's message by himself. The republicans held a joint caucus yesterday and organized by electing Senator J. C. Noel chairman and Delegate J. Powell Royall secretary. It was decided that the republican members would make no nomination for officers, either in the House or Senate, and would make no opposition to the democratic nomi-

nees. Senator J. C. Noel was elected floor leader for his party in the Senate, and J. Powell Royall for the same position in the House.

No bills were presented in either body yesterday.

Today's Telegraphic News

Affairs in Russia.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 11.—The workingmen's council is arranging details for the monster procession which it is proposed to hold on January 22, the anniversary of Red Sunday, in memory of the "martyrs" who were killed on that day. It is reported that the government intends to proclaim martial law in the city on January 21, and continue the order in effect until all danger of disorders is over. If this course is taken it may result in a serious collision between the troops and the people, as the leaders of the workmen declare the street procession will be held whatever the government does.

The terrorists have resorted to a new method of trying to harm their enemies by sending packages containing explosives through the mails. Hardly a day goes by but what some such package is sent by post. Yesterday two postal employees were killed while examining a suspicious parcel which exploded.

In an interview today with several prominent Russian citizens Premier Witte declared that the outcome of the recent uprisings in various parts of the country has been to strengthen the autocratic powers of the Czar.

Insurance Broker Arrested.

New York, Jan. 11.—Samuel Humphreys, said to be an insurance broker, with offices at No. 49 Wall street, was arrested at the Manhattan end of the Brooklyn bridge this morning by Detective Sergeant Downey. The arrest was made at the request of Assistant District Attorney Garvin. Humphreys was taken to police headquarters where he will remain until the arrival of Charles Augustus Seton, the promoter, who was arrested in Turkeystown, near Elkton, Md., last evening, for alleged connection with the forgery of stock certificates of the Norfolk & Western Railway Company. Humphreys' part in the case is said to be in connection with an attempt to raise a loan of \$15,000 on two of the alleged fraudulent certificates. Seton is said to have inherited more than \$40,000 from the estate of his father, a well-known resident of Cleveland. Seton is said to have shot his parent while in a barn alone at the back of the residence.

The explanation was that he had been shooting rats when a misdirected bullet killed his father. The young man is credited with a photograph in the Rogues' Gallery, both in Cleveland and here. He is under indictment here on the charge of grand larceny, and was to have been placed on trial on Monday next. He was at liberty on \$5,000 bail.

Humphreys was arraigned this morning before Magistrate Finn in the Centre street police station, on a short affidavit and held in \$2,500 bail. He was remanded back to headquarters.

Annapolis Court Martial.

Annapolis, Md., Jan. 11.—After summoning up the proceedings of yesterday, the second trial of Midshipman Stephen Decatur, jr., before the court martial was resumed this morning. The court adjourned from yesterday after having failed to reach a conclusion as to what degree Midshipman Marzoni, who was a previous witness, might go in his testimony concerning the hazing incidents of the present charges against Decatur. Judge Advocate Harrison was asked to give the court more light on this matter. The Judge Advocate cited several authorities on evidence pertaining to a witness as incriminating himself, but said that the present case was of such a peculiar nature that he was unable to find anything bearing directly on it. The court was then cleared and when re-opened, announced that Marzoni would have to answer the questions of the Judge Advocate, but in so doing to confine himself to the incidents of hazing related in his previous testimony. Witness then testified as to Church being ordered into the do the "16th," but did not know whether he performed or not. Marzoni said several other upper class men were in the room, but could not say whether Decatur was the senior cadet officer present at the time.

Railroad Accidents. St. Louis, Jan. 11.—Six persons were painfully injured and ten others frightened almost into a State of hysteria, this morning when a Pullman car attached to a train on the Eastern Wabash Railway division from Chicago toppled from the elevated railroad tracks here on the levee. Fortunately the ends of the car were caught by four girders at one end and by broken telegraph poles at the other, for a bridge over a depression in the ground. Into this depression several passengers who plunged through the windows fell. The most seriously injured was Mrs. J. G. Pomeroy, who fell through a window as the car fell over. Salt Lake City, Utah, Jan. 11.—A special train from Ogden is reported that the fast mail train on the Southern Pacific has been wrecked at Montell Hill, 120 miles from Ogden. The engine was demolished, but no one was severely hurt and the track was soon cleared.

Rossia a Maniac.

Hackensack, N. J., Jan. 11.—If Jerry Rossa were to be executed tomorrow, the State of New Jersey would have hanged a raging maniac. Rossa, who with Mrs. Antonietta Tolla, was reprieved by the board of pardons yesterday for thirty days, was told of the news shortly after midnight last night, to save the man's mind from giving way. Mrs. Tolla took the news quietly and calmly. Her husband did not expect to tell Mrs. Tolla or Rossa until today of the reprieve, but Rossa's condition was such that his mind was on the point of giving way. Rossa would crouch in the corner and cry out in fear at the slightest sound. Then he would become abusive and swear and curse at his imaginary enemies.

Still After Dewey.

Albany, N. Y., Jan. 11.—Senator Brackett's efforts to again gain consideration for his resolution demanding the resignation of United States Senator Dewey were blocked this morning for the third time when the resolution came before the Senate. Majority leader Baileys who has hitherto proved one of the chief stalling blocks in its passage moved that discussion be postponed until next Tuesday when it should be a special order. Senator Brackett made no protest, so the motion to postpone discussion prevailed.

The Legislature. (Special Dispatch to the Alexandria Gazette.) Richmond, Va., Jan. 11.—About fifty bills were offered in the House today.

The Governor sent the nomination of Col. J. E. Willard for Corporation Commissioner for a term of six years from February 1, 1906. A bill was offered to prevent football in the State; also a bill to prevent combinations of fire insurance companies for rate making.

Mr. Caton presented his bill to tax rolling stocks of local railroads; to appropriate \$400,000 annually for public schools, and \$300,000 for pensions, the additional \$300,000 to pay those now due.

A joint caucus will be held tomorrow night. A flow of bills is expected in both houses tomorrow.

Capt. R. E. Lee and Col. J. R. Caton will get good committee chairmanships from the speaker.

Disastrous Fire.

Denver, Colo., Jan. 11.—Word was received here this morning that a disastrous fire is sweeping Pueblo, and that the flames were not under control. Before details could be given, communication was cut off, the telegraph and telephone wires being down.

New York Stock Market.

New York, Jan. 11.—The stock market, after absorbing immense supplies of stocks that have been fed it since the beginning of the year, was hungry for more this morning, and the exchange was full of buying orders, many of them for 5,000 and 10,000 share lots. A considerable short interest is believed to have been created in commission house circles, but the buying this morning was largely for long account.

Fifty-ninth Congress.

Washington, Jan. 11.

SENATE.

When the Senate met today it was agreed that when it adjourns today, it be until Monday.

Mr. Heyburn in introducing a bill providing for the creation of a commission of five to investigate the character of corporations engaged in interstate commerce, declared that railways should not be permitted to own or operate coal mines and other utilities, and that insurance companies should not be permitted to do a banking or trust business. He wanted violators to be denied the use of the mails.

HOUSE.

The House resumed consideration of the Philippine tariff bill, Mr. Grosvenor speaking at length in support of the measure.

The bill will continue to have the right of way, pension legislation, which was to occupy Friday, being postponed until the Philippine measure shall have been disposed of. Floor leader Payne announced that he would ask that the debate close with Saturday's session.

Mr. Williams interrupted to ask whether General Grosvenor's purpose was to convey the idea that the New England States had been brought up by the hand of the republican party.

"By the hand of God and the republican party," quickly replied General Grosvenor.

Williams: "I congratulate the gentleman from Ohio on his magnanimity in naming God for once as the senior member of the firm."

Mr. Williams took the floor and supported the bill on the ground that it was a step in the right direction of free trade between the islands and the United States.

TELEGRAPHIC BRIEVITIES.

Dr. W. B. James, the physician in attendance upon Marshall Field, the Chicago millionaire, who is ill at the Holland House, in New York, says his condition is favorable.

The cause of the suicide of Leland W. Prior, the Cleveland, Ohio, stock broker, is believed by the bankers who are probing his accounts to have been that he sold forged municipal bonds in various parts of the country. In addition to this, he was heavily involved with customers for whom he was supposed to be carrying the New York Stock Exchange accounts.

A dispatch from Perteignan, France, says that the railroad tunnel which a being constructed by the Villafraque Cae collapsed today, killing three men and burying twenty others alive.

German citizens living in Denmark, who are liable for military service in the fatherland, have been warned to hold themselves in readiness to return to Germany upon three days' notice.

Miss Eva Van and A. W. Gansen, both of whom reside in Camden, N. J., were married in Rome today.

Russian Affairs.

Count Witte told a delegation which called to ask that the repressive measures be relaxed that Moscow was barely saved by the bravery of the military, and that he cannot stop Durnovo now. The Premier blamed the treachery of the moderates for present conditions and declared that he is determined to stamp out the rebellion at all costs. The government has gained successes at several points.

The situation in the Caucasus is reported to be very serious and bloodshed continues.

A squadron of Russian dragons, near Hazenport in revenge for being ambushed killed to the last man a body of revolutionists whom they had surrounded.

Disorders in the Caucasus continue and the situation is considered grave.

Bonaparte's Love Letter Sold.

Much surprise has been felt in Paris at the recent sale in Berlin for \$600 of an autograph letter of Napoleon Bonaparte to Josephine. The epistle, which is of the amorous description, was addressed from Verona to La Citoyenne Bonaparte. Napoleon was then commanding the army in Italy and neglects his absence from his dear little Josephine. The tone of the entire letter was warm and passionate.

It is not explained how the document found its way to Berlin. Ardent admirers of the first Napoleon who want to find some justification for the divorce of Josephine affirm in connection with this letter that when it was written Josephine, who had refused to join her victorious husband in northern Italy, was amusing herself in Paris with other men.

Deafness Cannot be Cured

by local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed portion of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube is inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed, Deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever; and cases of deafness caused by Catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces.

We will give One Hundred Dollars for any case of Deafness (caused by catarrh) that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. Send for circulars, free.

F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. Sold by all Druggists, 75c. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

Public Roads.

To the Editor of the Alexandria Gazette. Noticing in your paper that one of the subjects to be acted upon by our next legislature was public roads, and as I have been connected with the public roads of Mt. Vernon district for about forty years, I would like to call the attention of our county and the State to the condition of one of the oldest roads in the district, lying between two of Washington's farms from Gum Spring to Mt. Vernon, about 2 miles in length. Some part of this road is not more than 8 feet wide perhaps; 6 two horse teams cannot pass and as the ladies of the United States have bought up Mt. Vernon and are making it